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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 18 EWG MEETING: AD-70 SPRING REPORT

1. EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP (EWG) WILL CONSIDER SCOPE AND NATURE OF SPRING 1975 AD-70 REPORT DURING OCTOBER 18 MEETING (AC /28--A(74)10 AND PO/74/93, POUCHED).

2. IN MISSION VIEW, EXISTING OUTLINE FOR AD-70 REPORT (SEE DPC/D(74)9) WOULD: (A) NOT REPEAT NOT FOCUS EWG STUDY EFFORTS ON PROGRAMS MOST IMPORTANT TO NTO (FOR EXAMPLE, RATIONALIZATION /SPECIALIZATION),

(B) DUPLICATE EFFORTS ON ISSUES COVERED BY OTHER NATO FORA (FORCE CAPABILITIES, , CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING, ETC.), AND (C) UNDULY PROLONG EWG WORK IN AREAS WHERE STUDY RESULTS ARE OF QUESTIONABLE IMPACT (PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING).

3. MISSION THEREFORE PROPOSES TO (A) SUGGEST DURING OCTOBER 18 MEETING THAT EWG REPLACE FORMAL SPRING 1975 AD-UP REPORT

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WITH SEPARATE REPORTS ON SPECIALIZATION (ALREADY UNDERWAY), SUPPORTING PROGRAMS NOT ADEQUATELY COVERED IN OTHER FORA (COMMUNICATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND STANDARDIZATION), BASIC ISSUES WHERE CONTINUED EWG EFFORTS CAN BE PRODUCTIVE (WAR RESERVE STOCK LEVELS AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE), AND OTHER

KEY ISSUES WHICH MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE MAY IDENTIFY FOR SPECIAL STUDY; AND (B) RECOMMEND THAT INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) IN CONJUNCTION WITH MAJOR NATO COMMENADERS (MNC(S)) INCORPORATE REGIONAL ANALYSIS OF FORCE CAPABILITIES (FORMERLY CONTAINED IN AD-70 SPRING REPORTS) WITHIN ANNUAL DPC GENERAL REPORT ON COUNTRY FORCE PLANS (DPC/D(73)23).

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON VIEWS BY OCTOBER 16.

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